

The ink was hardly dry on yesterday's edition crying the editorial about the lady who neckled us on the downtown parking situation when we heard from another quarter.

Up rises a downtown dweller who is not actually in merchandising and asks:

"What happened to enforcement of the parking limit ordinance?"

Well, there is no enforcement any more, of course. I know that because, among other things, our country subscribers complained about missing the comedy of reading a list of all the merchants and professional men in Hope in the municipal court proceedings where parking fines are duly reported.

So we have no enforcement of the parking limit law.

Maybe the next move is to bring up the question of installing parking meters. It's something the people would probably have to vote on. Some towns have installed them recently. Others have voted "no."

How would you vote?

Here is Senator John L. McClellan's forceful argument on the Marshall Plan, as he reported the results of his European tour to the third annual Congressional Forum in Little Rock yesterday.

"To achieve an economic union can be achieved, trade barriers removed, currencies made stable and convertible to all of the Western European countries to permit free flow of goods and services, there is no hope of a lasting recovery under the present ECA program. Therefore I favor a substantial reduction in the next ECA appropriation. It can and should be reduced by more than one billion dollars."

Maybe this will be interpreted as "pressure" from the United States upon European policy—responsibility for policy always lies to great degree with the person or nation that puts up the money.

A 17-year-old boy stood 30 hours' examination at the University of Chicago and won the right to a bachelor of arts degree without even going to college.

But his father was a Rhodes scholar—and home study and environment did the job that formal schooling does for the average boy or girl.

Sure, it's possible. Schools don't have the money to do anything of the kind. It's a matter of fact they are mere substitutes for the individual instruction system that preceded today's system of mass schooling.

Finally, there are plenty of things you don't learn in school at all. Schools of Journalism are plagued by the fact that the current editor-president of the Kansas City Star, and his predecessor—the two of them covering a generation on the greatest newspaper of the Middle West—were only high school graduates.

Certainly it's better to be a non-college man who likes to read and insists on keeping informed than to be a mere dumbbell with a college education around his neck. And there are plenty of college graduates who never crack a book after leaving the classic halls behind them.

Girl Rests After Being Rescued

Longview, Wash., Dec. 16 (AP)—A plucky Girl Scout who had waited patiently in a wilderness cabin four winter nights for her rescue was resting today in a warm hospital bed.

A physician said 16-year-old Ruth Aberle of Kelso was responding quickly to nourishment and needed only a few days of rest before rejoining her family for the holidays.

Her safety has been almost a Christmas present to this entire Southwest Washington area. Ruth saved herself last night "I never thought I'd be a Christmas present."

The search had been the most extensive for a missing person in the history of Cowlitz county. Businessmen, loggers, stevedores, boys and girls—even housewives—had joined the hunt. Some of them had risked their jobs to remain in the woods. Townspeople at Kelso lined the roads and cheered when the ambulance drove out of the mountains toward the hospital here.

The girl had disappeared from a group of teen-agers cutting Christmas trees Sunday. Since then, while half a thousand men combed the mountain country northeast of here, Ruth had been alone and without food in the snow and rain. But when found yesterday she calmly identified herself and said "Will you take me home?"

Later she told Rescuer Charles F. Smith "I knew I'd get out. I wasn't scared. But I hope no one else ever gets lost."

Smith and his son, Phillip, had started over a mountain to join the main search party when they saw the girl in a clearing. She was returning from getting a drink at a creek near the small 12 by 12 foot square hut where she had curled up to sleep four previous nights.

As soon as Ruth identified herself, the younger Smith fired a gun three times. The shots were heard by a group of Kelso boys who had moved beyond the previous search area, around a mountain and—unusually—the general signal relayed the signal back to the main camp 10 miles away.

WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Fair and warmer this afternoon and tonight. Saturday mostly cloudy and mild.

Forum Raps Socialized Medicine

Little Rock, Dec. 16 (AP)—One governor, two U. S. senators and six congressmen reported to their constituents at the third annual congressional forum of the Arkansas Economic Council-State Chamber of Commerce here yesterday.

And the more than 2,500 who attended the session in the Little Rock Municipal auditorium heard socialized medicine condemned as a "black market in the relief of human suffering," that "there will be no FEPC legislation and should be none of the kind Mr. Truman proposes," that efforts will be made to balance the budget, and that an "aroused" congress will demand that it will be followed by government administrators.

Senator John L. McClellan, who preceded the forum, hurled the condemnation of socialized medicine, after Rep. Boyd Tackett had said "I am opposed to regimentation of this (medical) or any other profession."

The senator said two Englishmen had told him of being unable to get needed medical attention for several months under Britain's free medical program. But they offered to pay for treatment, and get it immediately. "That creates a black market in relief of human suffering," he said.

In reply to another question, he also reported that English gamblers are offering odds of six to five that the next prime minister, meaning they expect defeat of the labor government.

C. Hamilton Moses, president of the Arkansas Economic Council-Chamber of Commerce, acted as moderator and designated the man to answer each question, except those specifically directed to a panel member.

Senator J. W. Fulbright said that Congress would look into loan of money by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. He also called congressional elections "a biennial convocation in every congressional district in the country."

Referring to government "paternalism," he said it is difficult to have dams, roads and other services, and at the same time cut the budget.

Rep. Oren Harris was critical of the proposed Truman farm plan as one that "would destroy the free enterprise system." He said the present farm program is "permanent" until it is changed.

Rep. Brooks Hays, answering a question, said "the truthful answer is that there will be no FEPC legislation, and should be none of the kind Mr. Truman proposes."

Replying to a question about the minimum wage law, Rep. W. F. Norrell advised "go to the ballots that's where you are going to get your economic situation settled."

Rep. Wilbur D. Mills reported that reduced expenditures in the next fiscal year might bring the budget in line with anticipated income.

Rep. J. W. Trimble commenting on a bill to give federal aid to county roads, said "economy or no economy, I'm going to vote for roads."

M. D. Tippit, Scout Drive Finance chairman, urged all community-wide to make at least a partial report of their progress. Ted Maryman, captain for the Highway department, completed his solicitation several days ago and was the first Hope captain to make a complete report. In addition he obtained a large increase over the last year's contributions made by the department for the previous year.

Previously reported

City Lumber Co.	290.50
Kathleen Broach	25.00
Elise	8.00
Charles Harrell	6.00
Ladies Specialty Shop	12.00
Cook's White Star Laundry	12.00
Lula Cleaners	15.00
J. W. Perkins	6.00
Joe	5.00
Martin Gehling	5.00
N. P. Nesbitt	2.00
Herbert M. Stephens	12.50
M. L. Nelson	5.00
Blevins Drug Store	5.00
Bancroft Blevins	1.00
M. D. Tippit	1.00
Total	419.00

Yerger PTA Plans Fund Raising Program

The Yerger P. T. A. had as its first activity of the year a carnival which netted \$34.13. The carnival was held in the Yerger lunchroom and afforded a fine opportunity of entertainment for all attending.

A radio quiz program prizes for winners is being planned by the Program Committee as the next night activity. The public is invited to attend and participate in this quiz program.

The membership of the Yerger P. T. A. has increased approximately 75 per cent. The principal and faculty of Yerger wish to express their appreciation for the splendid cooperation of the parents in supporting the program of the P. T. A.

Otis Douglas of Eagles Is New Porker Coach; Barnhill Is New Athletic Director

U. S. Steel Hikes Prices, Others to Follow

Fayetteville, Dec. 16 (AP)—Otis Douglas, 38-year-old trainer for the Philadelphia Eagles, today was hired as head football coach for the University of Arkansas.

John Barnhill yesterday was relieved as head coach and elevated to the post of director of athletics for Arkansas.

Naming of Douglas was recommended to officials of the university this morning by Barnhill who suggested a salary of \$12,000 for three years for the new coach.

The athletic committee of the board of trustees and other school officials unanimously accepted Barnhill's recommendation but did not announce salary figures.

Barnhill also suggested that a 10-year contract be torn up "because I realize that the head coach should get a salary higher than that of the athletic director."

Barnhill's salary is at least \$12,500 a year, what the president and the trustees think I'm worth," Barnhill said.

This matter was not discussed by the group.

Barnhill said that Douglas probably will be two or three assistants to help him in his coaching duties. He said he already had talked with members of the coaching staff and alerted them of the probable change.

The Eagles' trainer, who was on route West with the Eagles for the National League playoff with Los Angeles Sunday.

Barnhill told the committee that it is imperative the new coach be given a free reign over guiding the Razorbacks, adding there should be no handicap in his way.

Douglas, who is regarded as a right-hand man to Philadelphia Coach Earl (Greasy) Neale, commented at Albuquerque, N. M., where the Eagles worked out yesterday, that he had not heard from Arkansas but that he would take the job if it were offered him.

The Eagles' trainer, who was head coach at Drexel Tech on the side this fall, conferred with university officials here several weeks ago, shortly after Barnhill announced plans to reorganize the athletic staff.

In four years at Arkansas, Barnhill won 22 games, lost 17 and tied three. His 1946 Razorbacks shared the southwest conference championship with rice and tied LSU in the Cotton Bowl. His 1947 team beat William and Mary in the Dixie bowl.

This year the Razorbacks won five and lost five, and fans began grumbling in midseason.

But Jones made no mention of won-lost records in announcing yesterday that Barnhill is being elevated. He praised Barnhill's work here and said the dual activities of coach and athletic director were "a burden no man can bear."

Barnhill's contract, providing a salary of \$12,500 a year, has six years to run.

Mercury Shows Lowest Drop of Season

Little Rock, Dec. 16 (AP)—Early touches of winter were felt in Arkansas today.

The U. S. weather bureau here reported the mercury dropped to a low of 13 degrees this morning at Gilbert, Arkansas. The temperature was 12 degrees there yesterday.

Other low readings over the state:

Arkadelphia 18; Fayetteville 23; Ford 20; Hot Springs 22; Pine Bluff 2; El Dorado 2 and Texarkana 7.
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A slight rise is expected tomorrow.

The temperature in Hope dropped to a seasonal low of 21 degrees.

Bluegill Bream were delivered on Thursday of this week to fifteen cooperators with the three Rouge-Bodewig Soil Conservation District, according to Riley Lewallen, chairman of the District Bluegill body.

These Bluegill represent only part of the initial stockage of no-bonds as bass will be added next Spring to complete the stocking, Mr. Lewallen said.

The fish were secured through the U. S. Hatchery at Natchitoches, La.

This makes a grand total of 220 farms ponds in Hempstead county which have been properly stocked through the assistance of the local Soil Conservation district.

To get the quickest growth on fish the pond should be fertilized regularly. Beginning in March and continuing through October, according to Mr. Lewallen, ordinarily 100 pounds of a complete fertilizer per surface acre at monthly intervals will be sufficient. Fertilizer encourages the growth of water plants which feed algae which in turn serve as food for the fish. Once the fish reach pan size fishing should be heavy enough to keep the stockage in balance, Mr. Lewallen, pointed out.

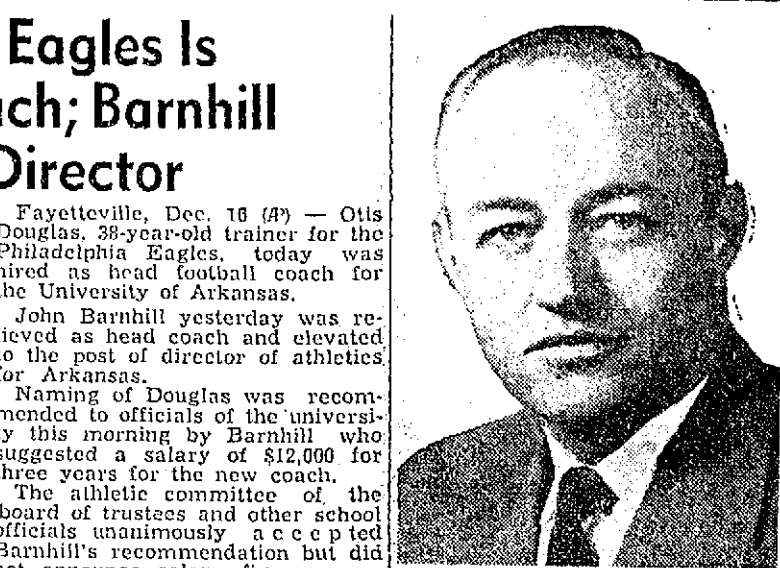
Thespian Play Tonight at High School

Local Thespian Troupe 36, National Society will stage a 3-act comedy tonight at the High School auditorium at 8 o'clock, the play, directed by H. Clem Carolan, assisted by Betty Porter, promises plenty of laughs for all.

The cast includes: Clois Jackson, Greta Cason, Flossie Hartsfield, Terrell Cook, Tawanna Green, Jack Taylor, Nolan Stanford Arthdale Hefner, James Hollis, Linda Foster, John Andrew, Kelly Marlar, Don Hill, Ann Burr, Anita Copeland, Bobby Phipps, Martha Wray, and Kathleen Walker.

Stage manager is Odie Keith.

Glacier National Park, Montana, has more than 1,000 miles of trails.



Vernon Whitten

Whitten Talks on Securing World Peace

Vernon Whitten, south Arkansas lumberman, today told the Hope Rotary club that the biggest problem of the world is securing and maintaining world peace.

He commended the United Nations as a step in the right direction but declared it doesn't go far enough. We have two choices, he declared—one a federation of world nations under a constitutional government limited to prevention of war, and the other the road which leads to nothing but ultimate war... World War III.

He asserted it was up to the United States to take the lead and challenged members of the club to do something about it.

"The old way is futile," he said. "If we know a better choice than failure exists, yet allow ourselves to stay silent and idle, we are choosing catastrophe."

"But if we Americans really want an enduring peace for this world, we must lead the world toward the only true source of public peace that has ever existed: Justice under law and government."

"We must speak up loudly so that the representatives of the people in Washington will hear and act. One by one, whoever and wherever we are, we must stand up and be counted."

"Personally, I prefer to stand up and be counted now, rather than be counted while laid out in rows later," he concluded.

Huchins Again to Face Trial for Robbery

Memphis, Dec. 16 (AP)—For the second time within a week, a robbery trial of Harold Raymond Huchins, 29-year-old convicted Arkansas murderer, was reset today.

Huchins is charged with taking, at the point of a knife, \$4 from a resident in March, 1949.

His trial was originally set for Tuesday, but was moved back to today at the request of the defendant.

Today, again at Huchins' asking the trial was dropped from the calendar. The criminal court clerk's office said it will be reset at an indefinite time after the first of the year.

Huchins, a former University of Arkansas medical student, was convicted last month in the murder of Seth Reed of Clarksville, Tenn., at a Little Rock hotel room. He was sentenced to 15 years in prison, but was freed on \$5,000 bond pending an appeal.

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For control—50,892.

Against—4,042.

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The control program is designed to hold plantings to 21,000,000 acres, or about 23 per cent less than was planted this year.

This reduction is expected to result in a crop of about 12,000,000 bales compared with about 16,000,000 this year.

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Under the control program, each farm is given a planting allotment. The farm's sales quota is the amount of cotton grown on its allotment. Sales from excess acres would be subject to a stiff penalty tax—roughly 15 cents around or slightly more than half the prospective market price.

Approval of quotas assured producers of a continued government support of 90 per cent of parity, or around 20 cents a pound. If quotas had been defeated, the price support for the 1950 crop would have dropped to 150 per cent of parity.

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Truman Ignores Suggestion He Use Labor Law

Key West, Fla., Dec. 16 (AP)—President Truman's chief labor advisors said today they ignored a suggestion of southern coal operators that he use the Taft-Hartley act to get full coal production.

They said the President felt that the three days-a-week digging permitted by John Lewis took the case out of the national emergency category.

And they added that Mr. Truman was displeased by announcement of the coal operators' move before receipt here of the seven-page letter asking presidential intervention.

A letter, signed by Joseph E. Moody, president of the Southern Coal Producers association, asked Mr. Truman to use the Taft-Hartley act or prosecute the United Mine Workers' chief of anti-trust charges.

It said that if the present law does not cover the abbreviated work week that Lewis is permitting, Mr. Truman should ask congress for legislation covering the situation.

A daily confidante of the President's said he had not seen the letter, but that he probably would label it as propaganda in view of advance knowledge of its dispatch.

This man, unquotable by name, said Mr. Truman was no more kindly disposed toward Lewis than he is toward the Taft-Hartley act in his state of the union message to congress.

At the same time, he added, Lewis is disposed to negotiate with operators than he has been for years, and Mr. Truman doesn't like the idea of the coal producers using a letter to him as a means of getting publicity for their cause.

"You can count on it," this highly placed aide said. "The letter will be ignored."

Nationalists May Cling to One Mainland Base

By The Associated Press

Nationalist Chinese hopes of holding Far West Sikkim province as their only remaining mainland base for guerrilla action against the communists were blasted today. An uprising in Sikkim was reported in Sikkim, which it looked as if it would go over to the Reds.

The government

Social and Personal

Social Calendar

Sunday, December 18

The adult and junior choirs of the Methodist church will meet at 7:30 p.m. and will present its annual Christmas Musical in story and song. Everyone attending is asked to bring his White Gift to present at this service.

The choir of the Presbyterian church will present a Christmas cantata, "The Manger of Bethlehem," by Chas. Francis Lane at morning services next Sunday, December 18.

Tuesday, December 20

The young people of the First Presbyterian church will have a Christmas party Tuesday, December 20. They will meet at the church at 7:30 p.m. and after they will have a caroling they will return to the church for refreshments.

The McRae Bible class of the First Presbyterian church will meet at 7 p.m. at the church for a Christmas party. Hosts will be Mrs. J. B. Johnson, and Mrs. and Mrs. James Pilkinton.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Methodist church will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 20. There will be a special Christmas program presented.

Wednesday, December 21

There will be a church Christmas party at the First Presbyterian church at 7:30 p.m. for all families. Santa Claus will be present with gifts for all children through the intermediate department.

The Primary and Junior children of the Methodist church school will entertain their families and friends with an old fashioned Christmas party Wednesday evening, December 21 at 7 o'clock in the Recreation rooms of the church.

Notice

The Boys and girls of the Wesleyan club of First Methodist church are requested to bring their supplies to the Christmas party at 5:30 at the Junior Room.

DeAnn Lilac Club Meets

The Lilac Garden club of DeAnn met Tuesday night at 6:30 at the home of Mrs. Richard Lilac. For their Christmas party, Mrs. Lilac and Mrs. Jewell Burke as co-hostesses.

The living room was beautifully decorated for the occasion. A huge lighted tree added to the festive spirit. The mantel held an arrangement of native greenery with red and silver pine cones and lighted by red and white tapers in crystal holders.

Mrs. C. R. Samuels vice president presided in the absence of the president.

The meeting was opened by the group singing "Silent Night". The Christmas story from Luke and Matthew was given by Mrs. C. R. Samuels.

The message of Bethlehem by the Richardas, Mrs. J. M. Arnold, the story of "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke was given by Mrs. Richard Arnold.

The prize for the most beautiful Christmas message was awarded Mrs. C. B. O'Brien.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree.

A delightful dessert plate carrying out the holiday motif was served by the hostesses while recordings of Christmas carols were softly played.

There were three guests present, Mrs. Monroe Samuel, Mrs.

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called upon to make stand covers and cushion covers for the veterans' hospital in Fayetteville, Hot Springs and Booneville. She also asked for volunteers to make candy to be packed by Mrs. Mary Foster next Monday, a Red Cross project.

After the exchange of gifts a delightful tray of Christmas cake, mints and coffee was served to each present.

Beta Sigma Phi Has Yuletide Party

The Alpha Zeta chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority held their regular meeting and Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the home of Miss Wanda Ruggles.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations of the house. Scotch pine, holly and red berries, mistletoe and miniature double bells decorated the dining table. A crystal bowl with a snow scene placed on a red velvet cloth covered with a red floor length tulle cloth was centered with an antique pedestal bowl of holly, and red berries, a reflector flanked by green lighted candles in candleholders.

Mrs. Inez Stants, president, called the meeting to order and the group repeated the opening ritual. A short business session was held at which time, the committee chairman, Mrs. B. M. Haggard, Mrs. Roy Thrash, Mrs. J. S. McDowell, Mrs. Mart Yocum, Mrs. Dale Tonnemaker, Miss Gwendolyn Frith, Mrs. Ota Smith, Mrs. Mac Levin, Mrs. Clara Roberts, Mrs. Alvin Robertson and Mrs. J. A. Davis, visitor.

Daffodil Club Enjoys Luncheon

The Daffodil Garden club held their December meeting with a luncheon at one o'clock Thursday at the Carlisle hotel. Hostesses were Mrs. Ben McRae and Mrs. Harold Brents.

The beautifully appointed table held as its centerpiece, a huge glowing white candle surrounded by a wreath of native cedar and placed on a reflector and sprigged with artificial snow. From the centerpiece, sprays of cedar interspersed with clusters of Nandina berries were placed along the table.

A delightful luncheon was served to the following members: Mrs. J. W. Franks, Mrs. Carl Franks, Mrs. Jim Case, Mrs. Royce Smith, Mrs. Earl Powell, Jr., Mrs. Dorsey Miller, Mrs. Duff Day, Mrs. W. R. Teel, Mrs. Harold Brents, and one guest Mrs. Robert Bressler.

"The Doll Shop" Presented by Students

At Jr. High, P. T. A.

The Oglesby Junior High P. T. A. met at the school at 3 p.m. Thursday, in the auditorium for the December meeting. A Christmas program presented by the students was a one act play "The Doll Shop" directed by Mrs. Brents McPherson, and Mrs. R. E. Jackson.

The following students took part in the play: The Doll Shop Lady, Paula Faye Haley; Boys and Girls who came to look at the shop were Franklin Horton and Larline White; Talking Doll, Carolyn Sue Coffey; Dancing Doll, Volmer Dean Boyd; Piano playing doll, Billy Rae Cunningham; Mexican dolls, Billy Rae and Catherine Steadman; Jack in the box, Johnny Cox; Sailor doll, Buddy Jackson; Rag doll, Judy Hammons; Chinese doll, Judy Barr, and the bride doll, Carl Cook. The announcer was Don Ruggles.

Following the play, the Jr. high school glee club under the direction of Miss Ruth Hamilton, sang carols. In the room count, Mrs. C. Stuart, Jr.'s room won the dollar.

There were forty members and four visitors present.

Mrs. Tolleson Hostess to Legion Auxiliary

Mrs. C. P. Tolleson, Mrs. Ernest O'Neal, Mrs. W. B. Mason and Mrs. H. O. Kyles were hostesses to the annual Christmas meeting party held at the home of Mrs. Tolleson. The spacious living room was gayly decorated with Yuletide floral material and the entrance was complete with the trappings of a Christmas Santa Claus in the person of Mrs. Foy Hammons.

The business routine was conducted by the president, Mrs. Joe Reese. She announced that we are

Patmos Negro School PTA Discuss Problems

The Benjamin Culp chapter D. A. R. will entertain their husbands with a dinner on Friday evening at 7 o'clock in the home of Mrs. J. B. Hesterly with Mrs. W. G. Bensberg co-hostesses.

The Victory home demonstration club will have a Christmas party for their families at the Emmet club house on Friday evening.

Sunday, December 18

The youth Fellowship of the First Presbyterian church will not meet Sunday evening.

A program of Christmas music will be given by the choir of the First Presbyterian church on Sunday evening at 7:30.

A program of Christmas music will be given by the choir of the First Methodist church at 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Monday, December 19

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church will meet at the church Monday afternoon at 2:30.

The American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will have a joint Christmas party at 7:30 Monday night at the Legion hut.

Circle 3 of WMY Entertained in Johnson Home

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First Baptist church met on Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clifford Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Brad Bright, business chairman, presided over the business session.

Mrs. Bright, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Edward Bryson reviewed the last three chapters in the study book "Japan's New Day."

During the social hour pie and coffee were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Hines Hostess to Circle 4 of W. M. U.

Mrs. Harrell Hines was hostess to circle 4 of the W. M. U. of the First Baptist church at her home on Monday afternoon.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Thomas Buchanan. The circle chairman, Mrs. Hines, conducted the business meeting. Mrs. L. L. Buchanan, Mrs. Lewis Garrett, Mrs. Roy Stainton, and Mrs. Sidney Loomis.

Wesleyan Guild Has Christmas Program

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist church met on Monday night in the home of Mrs. Charles Thomas with Mrs. W. R. Burke, co-hostess. The Thomas home was lovely with Yuletide decorations.

The vice president, Mrs. Lela Hays presided. The program theme "Christ in Christmas" was presented by Mrs. Lera Johnson. Mrs. Christine Mahan, gave the "Christmas Message" and Mrs. R. E. Lindblad talked on "Christmas Gifts". Mrs. Phillip Foster told of "The White Christmas Offering". "Oh Come All Ye Faithful", "Joy to the World", and "Bark! The Herald Angels Sing" were sung by the group at intervals during the program. Several vocal numbers by a quartet composed by Mrs. McMahan, Mrs. Lindblad, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Hays were enjoyed by the closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Johnson.

During the social hour prayer was offered by Mrs. Johnson. A dainty dessert course was served by the hostesses to the eighteen members and two guests Mrs. Jack Swafford and Mrs. Thomas Hesterly present for the occasion.

Rotary Club Meets

The weekly luncheon meeting of the Prescott Rotary club has held on Tuesday noon at the Broadway Hotel.

S. O. Logan program chairman, presented T. H. Lamb of Little Rock and Urney McKenzie of Hope. Former superintendent of the Prescott schools, who gave impromptu talks.

During the business meeting conducted by the president C. H. Tompkins, it was voted to omit next weeks meeting.

Guests other than Mr. McKenzie and Mr. Lamb included Oliver Adams of Hope and Ed Couston of Little Rock.

Primary Department of Baptist Church Enjoys Party

Twenty-three pupils of the Primary department of the First Baptist church were entertained with a Christmas party in the recreation building on Tuesday afternoon by the teachers Mrs. Roy

DOROTHY DIX How to Win Friends

Dear Miss Dix: What is your definition of a popular girl? What makes a girl popular? Is it necessary for her to be beautiful?

Answer: A popular girl is one who is liked and admired by her own sex as well as the opposite one. She is the girl at whose coming every eye brightens and who makes every party complete. She never left out of things. She is the first one thought of when any sort of pleasure is arranged and the boys flock around her like bees around a honey pot. She has always plenty of dates and lots of cut-ins at dances.

Of course, it helps a girl to be popular to be beautiful, because we all like to look at pretty and attractive things, and there is nothing lovelier in nature than a beautiful woman, but beauty is not essential to popularity. Indeed, in a way, it is a hindrance to a girl's popularity with her own sex, because it rouses envy in their bosoms, and so it has to be offset with a lot of sweetness and amiability. Nor does beauty make a girl popular with men if her good looks cause her to be arrogant and haughty. Many of the most popular girls are those who have not a single good feature but have a heart of gold, who are so kind and genial and pleasant to get along with that everybody loves them.

Should say the things that make a girl popular are for her to be amiable and good-natured, to have the kindness that comes from a tender heart, for her to be willing to take the trouble to make other people happy, for her to have the gracious fact that keeps her from saying or doing the things that hurt and mortify others, for her to be wide awake and intelligent and able to talk entertainingly and for her to be able to do the things that make her always welcome in society, for her to be able to play games and dance, to cook a little, play the piano a little and sing a little to do the things that make her fit in any picture.

Nobody can deny, my dear, just what beauty is because there are no fixed standards, and what one person thinks is beauty another doesn't. Some people admire over brunettes, others have the accepted type of feminine pulchritude is the living skeleton, while in Oriental countries the fatter a woman is the more of a living picture she is esteemed. It has been said that beauty lies in the eye of the beholder, and that is true. We all see beauty in those we love, whether they are really beautiful or homely.

Dear Miss Dix: My husband and I are 39 years old. We have been married sixteen years and have two girls, one 14, one 10, and my husband's mother, who is an invalid, lives with us. We have always been happy, even though my husband has a mean quick temper, until now, when I have discovered that he is unfaithful to me. I can't say I am a very nice one, and have enough income of my own to pay the taxes and insurance, which I have always done, but would not be able to support the home alone. I have told my husband that as he was not happy with me I would give him his freedom, but he doesn't want a divorce. What would you do under the circumstances?

Answer: I think a case like yours is one in which no human being can advise you as to the right to judge - for another. It is purely a matter of how you feel toward your husband, and what you know of his character.

Sometimes a woman cares enough for a man to make it worth her while to shut her eyes to his infidelity. Sometimes a wife knows that her husband is a born philanderer, that it isn't in him to be true to any woman for long. And every wife is wise to recognize the fact that men from 40 to 60 go through an age of indiscretion when they do foolish and irrational things and need to be treated with patience instead of divorce.

Of course, in your case there are the young girls to consider. If they are almost grown and divorced parents are not broken up home do not make the best background for them. Also, with the husband contributing to the family support you can live in a style you could not afford if you had to earn the upkeep for the family.

Certainly the plight of a woman with an unfaithful husband is a pitiful one, but she does not always better it by fleeing to the divorce court.

Dear Miss Dix: A young man just graduated from a medical school wonders as to the relative advantages and disadvantages of immediately marrying.

Answer: Unless the young doctor has money of his own or is marrying a girl with money, it would certainly be foolhardy for him to get married just as soon as he graduates from a medical school. It generally takes several years for a young doctor to make enough to live on, and he would certainly stand a fine chance of starving or having to give up his profession in order to support his family, if he rushed into a precipitate marriage.

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I Love My Doctor

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The Story: John and I, after our elopement, had a great deal of trouble finding a suitable four-room apartment to serve both as home and office, but we found one and Freda Long, the superintendent's wife, is now showing it to us. However, in my enthusiasm for the place I forgot my mother's warning not to seem over-anxious or we'd have to take the highest rent.

After consideration, we reappraised Freda who was tactful waiting in the kitchen, and by mutual consent laid all our cards on the table.

She appreciated our dilemma. "I'll tell you," she said, "let's forget this is a strictly business deal. Let me tell you, I'm only hired by the landlord to give you a top and bottom price. So I'll give you the bottom right off the bat, because," she laughed aloud, "you were about to leave and I couldn't let a good prospect go."

"But the figure she named was fair, and just within our means," I said. "And just as you said, after all, afterthought, after we thanked her, 'that wooden partition in the office separates that big room and a treatment room, as it were, two rooms. Dr. Trent installed it himself, and told me to try to collect something from the next tenant and keep it for myself. I'll figure it out. You were tough customers and had to let you have it free. You can count it as a wedding present from me."

"Oh, Mrs. Lang," I sighed, "you're wonderful. Just wait until I tell my mother how we made out."

"Why not call her from the pay station in the cellar?" she asked. "Your husband can wait here."

"So I went in back and eagerly phoned my mother."

"What's the rent?" she asked after congratulating us on "finding a place."

I told her proudly. "And that's five dollars less than the top price." I couldn't help boasting.

"Really?" said my mother. "What do you do?"

"Cheered her down," I crowed with mental apologies to Freda. But my mother remained unimpressed and simply implied that Heaven was known to look after fools.

The instinct to play house is as inherent as the Darwinian law of self-preservation, and as basic as holding hands in the movies. If the little next-door neighbor boy, and it never ends.

Given a house and a "he", any female can go on from there. But, just as the neighbor boy is an unimpressed participant in the "now I'll be Maama, you be Papa, and this is our home routine, so, too, the adult male is a reluctant accessory to the game.

"But what on earth is wrong with the place?" asked John in bewilderment after outlining my plans for its rejuvenation. "I thought you liked it. We had it all arranged with the foyer as a waiting room and the large room with

the subdivision for a consultation and treatment room. Don't you like it any more?"

"It's nice," I tried to explain, "but on the dark side. If we paint it bright white instead of this dull cream color, it'll pull it grand."

"And, I went on pulling grand through the other rooms as I continued, 'take this foyer. If it's to be a waiting room, we should paint it and make the most of it. shouldn't we?' And the bedroom - why John, anyone can see pretty it would look in pale blue!"

"Anyone but John, that is. 'Pale blue,' he repeated sadly, 'and sighed."

"By mutual consent we sank down on the bed floor."

"And the living room," I said next, waving in its general direction, "needs bookshelves for my library, and you can make those."

"We've the nearly shrieked, jumping up. 'Make bookshelves for us or paint or anything!'"

"Don't get technical," I answered standing up too. "You yourself told me that you built those shelves in our bedroom at home, didn't you?"

He winced audibly at the recollection. "I talk too much."

"Do you mean to say," I demanded, "that you won't make shelves for us if I paint or anything?"

"I didn't say that at all a yet," John answered. "I just don't see why we have to," he continued, as if logic had ever been intended as a necessary part of husband and wife conversations.

I was stumped. I knew I could never manage the whole job all by myself. Suddenly I seemed to remember a scene from home: "Will you hand the curtains, dear?" my mother would say pleasantly to my father who would be contentedly absorbed in the evening paper.

"Tomorrow, dear tomorrow..."

"But that's just what you've been saying since last week," my mother would protest.

"But this tomorrow I will," he would repeat.

"Very well, I'll hang them myself," my mother would say, turning to send me for the ladder.

And that always did it: down went the paper up went the drapes, and knighthood flowered.

Warily, I considered my present situation. Anything was worth a try. "Very well, darling," I said, a feeling like an amateur in a Shakespearean Village Barn production about to muffle her links.

"I'll paint and paper and do all the work myself," I started offstage as if to tackle the job immediately with the martyrdom befitting a Joan of Arc.

John fortunately, although a little slow on the uptake, caught on.

"Oh, darling," he said picking up the proper cue, "of course I'll help you do everything. I wouldn't think of letting you work by yourself."

"What do you know, I thought you knew. Chivalry is not dead!"

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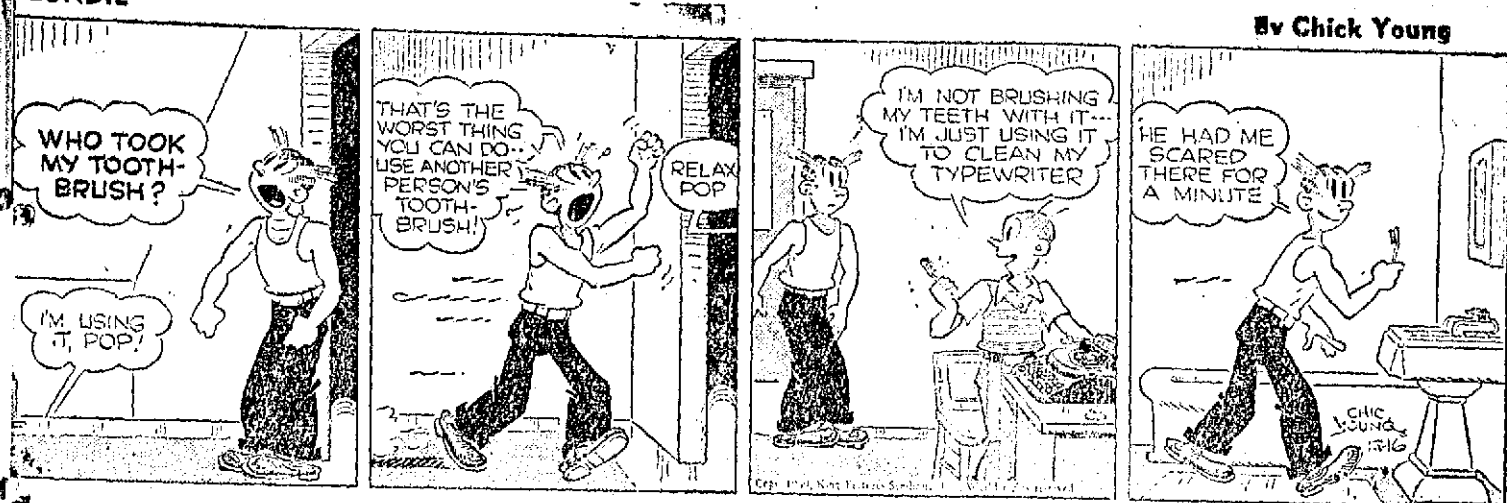
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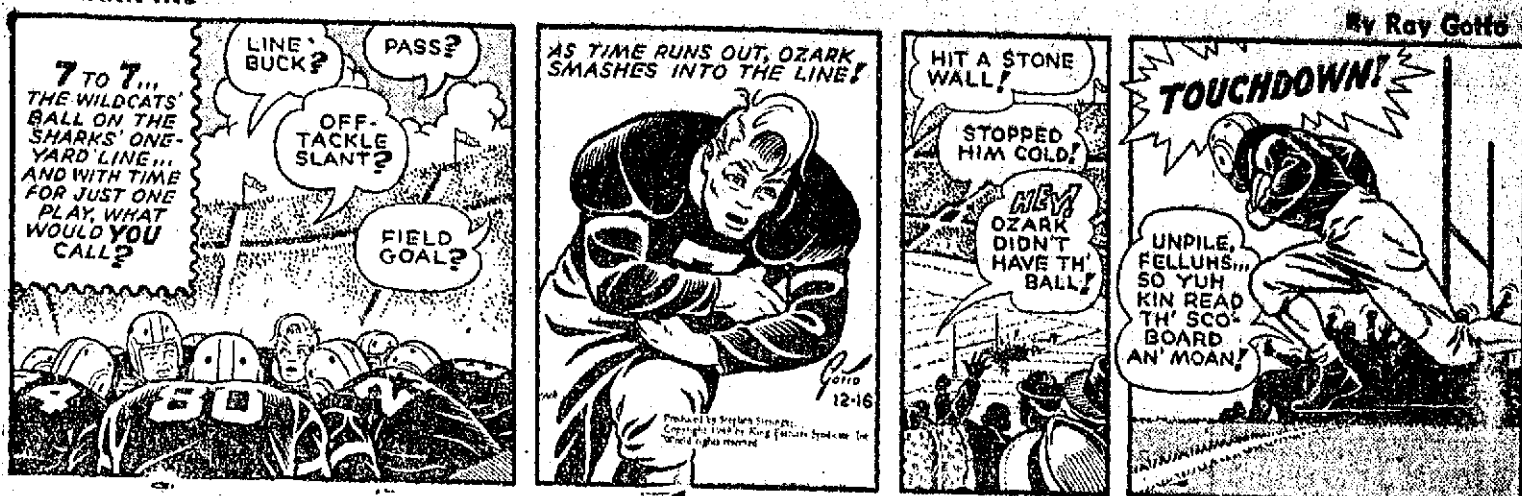
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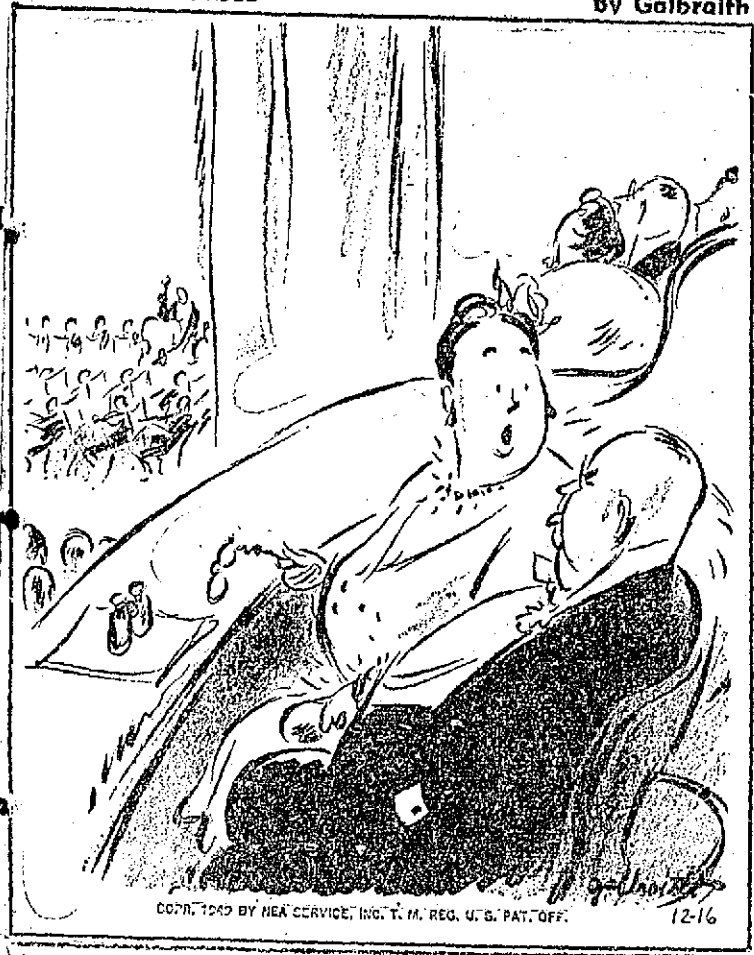
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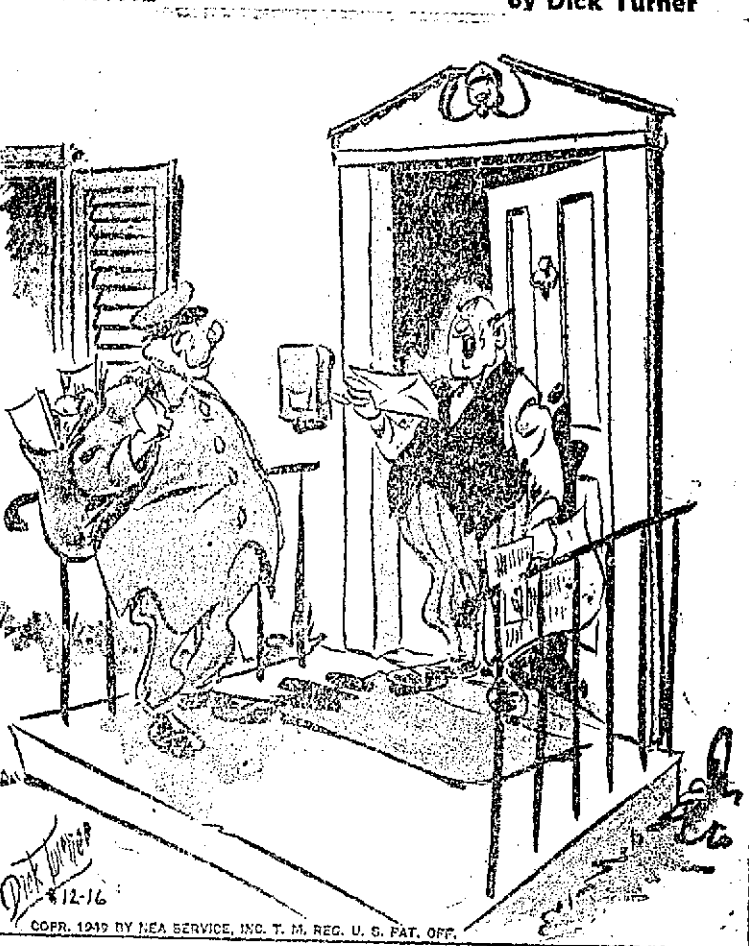
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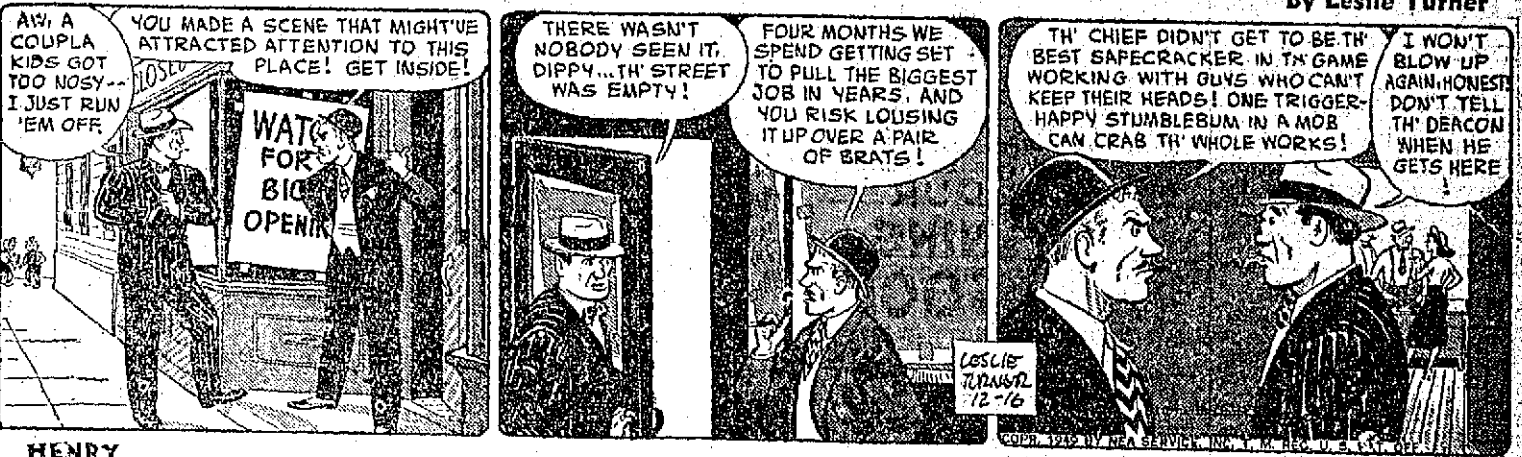
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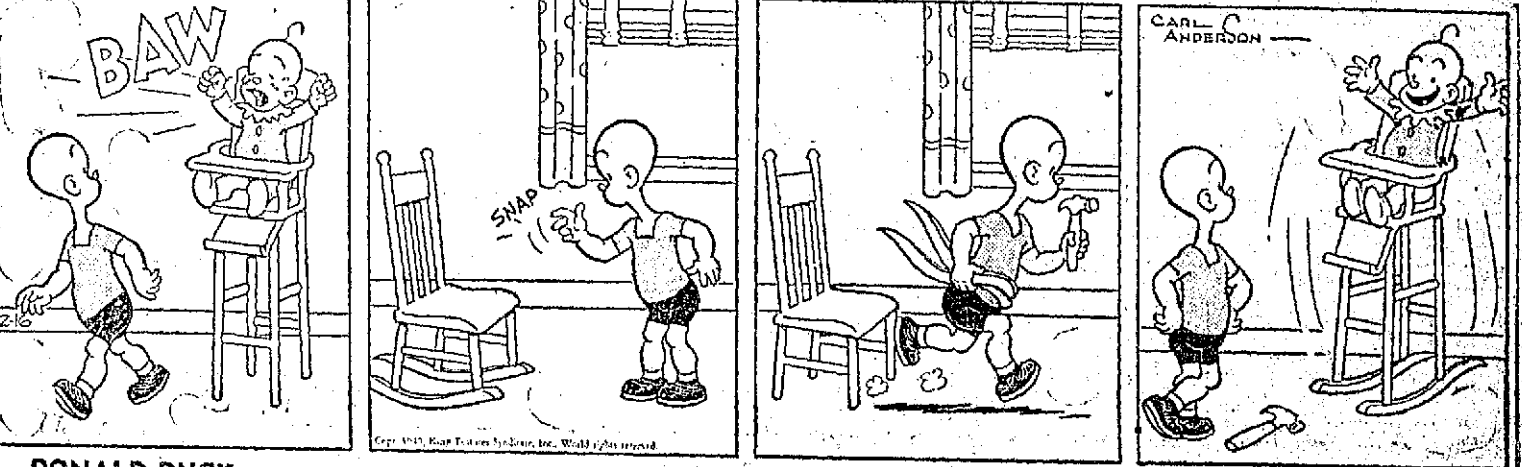
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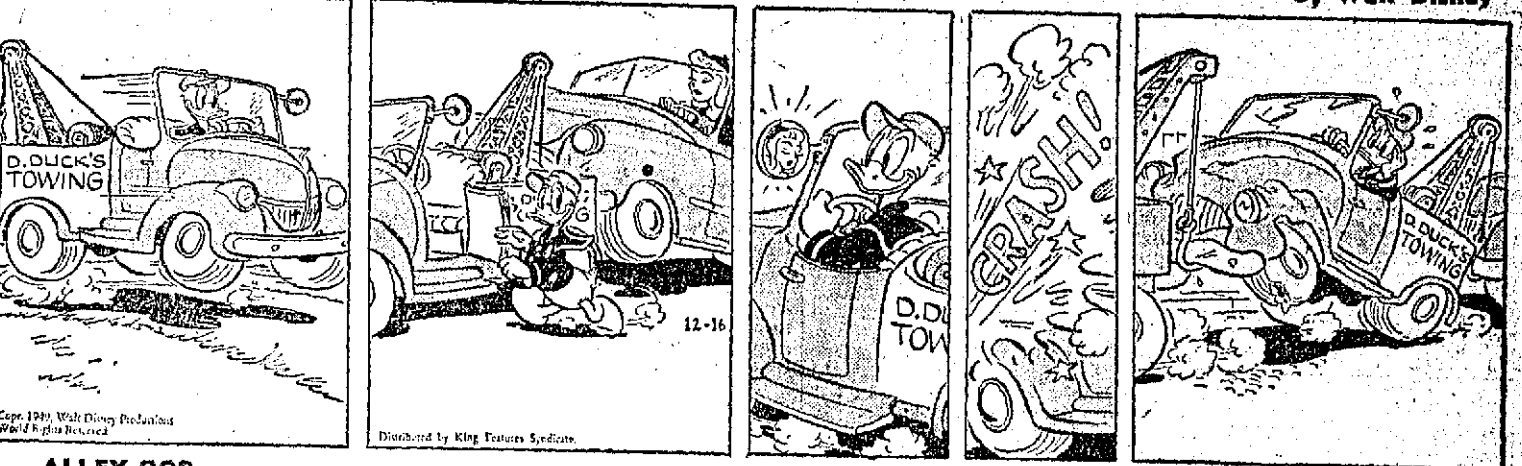
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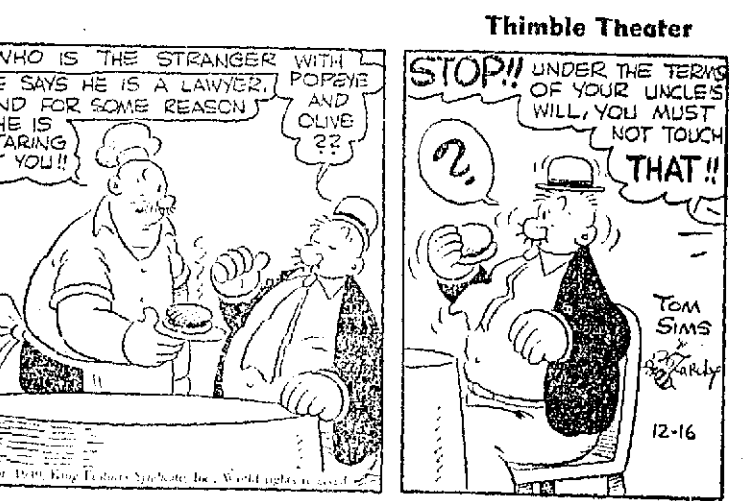
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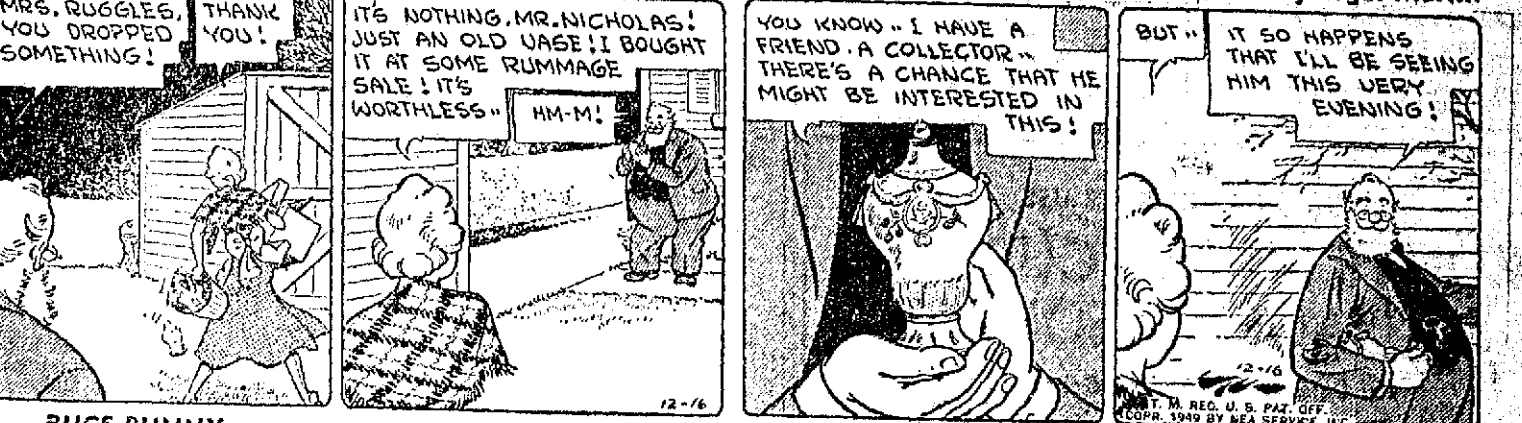
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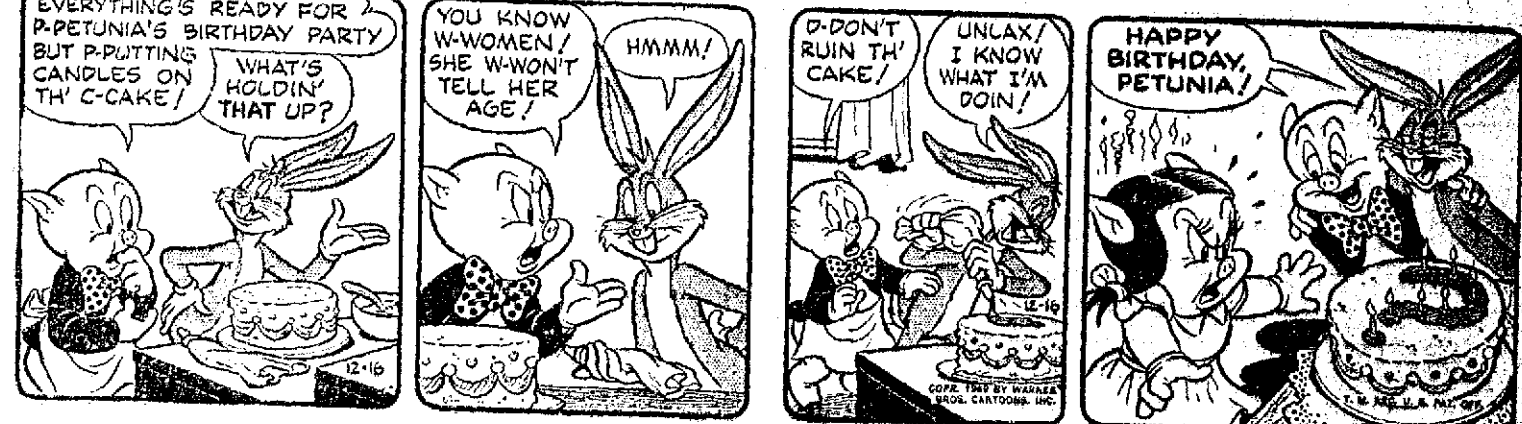
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Washington, Dec. 15 — President

Truman declined the invitation of

the Gridiron club, a social club of

Washington newspaper reporters,

and was not present at the dinner

in the Statler last Saturday night.

Mr. Truman was busy resting and

working, "suspected that he was

being glibly snubbed by the Gridiron

club for getting some ribbing of

his socialist program discussed at

the last Gridiron dinner last spring.

It is easily said that he was

just fed up with banquets, tired

and unwilling to give up that night

to a party which might have been

an ordeal rather than a pleasure.

The political satire was pretty

rough so he spared himself some

annoyance.

The Gridiron club is the only so-

ciety of its kind in the world.

There are many imitations, clubs

of state house and city hall rep-

resentatives and other amateur

theatricals once a year and ridi-

cule governors, mayors and com-

missioners, but the Gridiron does

original and its equivalent does not

exist, and its equivalent does not

commanding, usually, and tradi-

tionally, the presence of the king,

prime minister or other chief of

state.

The Gridiron exists to give two

small feasts a year, but the purpose

of the banquets is the deeper rea-

son for the existence of the club.

That purpose, from the beginning,

has been to promote acquaintance

between the press on one hand and

between the press and bureaucrats

of our government and some of the

representatives of other govern-

ments.

The Gridiron was organized in

1915 with a purpose, until then a

small force in Washington, had be-

come to infuriate members of con-

gress and bureaucrats who had

been caught in flagrant and con-

spicuous fraud. It was

nourished by reporters, who

granted the banquets with colossal

swipes. It

could have been thought that the

exposures and the establishment of

a great corps of correspondents

would put a stop to graft. This has

not been accomplished. The \$50-

000-a-year tax exemption granted

to President Truman by his own

Democratic 81st congress as its

first act, defiantly had in the glare

of publicity, an honor to be

prized by the press. The

press did its duty in detecting the

special privilege, amounting ac-

tually to a legalized graft. The

fact that the people's representa-

tives helped themselves to small

portions of graft in the same

way indicates that the legisla-

tive and executive branches actually

do not feel that they are no longer

responsible to the people and no longer

need to justify their actions.

When the Gridiron was orga-

nized, congress didn't want a press

gallery and inquiries by reporters

were regarded as impudence. So

the early dinners were arranged

in a dignified and unassuming

convention to get both parties a little

drunk and establish confidence

and friendship. But the dinners

of today are formal banquets to

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